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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICANT : Jackowski et al  
INVENTION : **Biopolymer Marker Indicative of  
Disease State Having a Molecular  
Weight of 1525 Daltons**  
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To: The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir or Madam:

Please enter the following amendment preliminary to  
examination on the merits, no new matter is added:

IN THE CLAIMS:

3. (New) A method for evidencing and categorizing at least one  
disease state comprising:  
obtaining a sample from a patient;